

c) affixing at least one prosthetic valve at, upstream or downstream from said resected cardiac valve.

REMARKS

The above amendments are being submitted to add claims 39 to 49 to the application as filed. Claims 39 to 49 were previously submitted to the International Bureau of WIPO in the SECTION 205(b) LETTER FOR AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER ARTICLE 19 as filed on June 26, 2000.

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